

The American Legion

News: Local, State, National

Legionnaires Decide Not to Take Summer Recess, So as To Be Prepared for Convention in Fall

Bonus Question and Union Labor Attack Will Be Hotly Debated at Next Gathering in Cleveland

Apparently members of the American Legion in the five counties of greater New York are determined that when the national convention is called to order in Cleveland next September it will find their delegates well informed on Legion affairs.

The desire to keep in touch with the administration of the veterans' organization is reflected in the decision of many of the posts not to call a recess in their meeting dates during July and August. They feel that such a lapse possibly would cause the accumulation of post business which would severely handicap them in their deliberations just before the national conference.

It is no secret among Legionnaires that the convention at Cleveland will produce a series of debates that will far overshadow in their intensity those at Minneapolis last fall. Since that convention was held there have been developments that will be productive of heated argument. The bonus fight in Congress and the attack on the Legion by organized labor will be two of the most important issues before the delegates and the former is likely to cause a serious breach.

The New York veterans, realizing this, simply wish to be prepared to make the New York delegation a prominent factor in what is done. Only three or four of the posts in this city have announced a recess and, while others may follow their lead, it looks at this time as though a major battle will carry on right through the hot weather.

St. Nazaire Reunion

All army, navy and marine veterans and their wives (American, French, or English), army nurses, welfare workers and members of the Signal Corps have been asked to attend the St. Nazaire Reunion at the Hotel Brevoort, Fifth Avenue and Eighth Street, June 26, at 7 p. m. Seats will be reserved for everybody who sends a check or money order for \$3.50 to Miss Anna Macken-berg, 11 West Tenth Street, before June 20. Applicants are asked to give the names of the persons with whom they would like to sit at dinner.

The committee has asked that it be given lists of persons who were at St. Nazaire so that announcements can be sent to all of them. The committee is composed of George B. Daheny, Henry C. Thatcher, Will D. Willis, Peter J. Garver, Mary Fay, Helene Sherman, Hilda P. Thompson and Anna MacKenzie. Go and get "The Gangplank News."

Third Naval First Again

The 8d Naval District Post, which prides itself on being a leader in Legion affairs, claims another "first over the top" honor. At its meeting in the Hotel McAlpin this evening, it will use the new ritual drawn up by the state department in taking in seventeen members. It also will take up the question of adopting the platform drafted by Henry B. Buxton, New York County chairman. The post will give a dance at the Hotel Commodore.

County Committee Meeting

The monthly meeting of the county committee will be held Friday, June 19, at the Hotel Pennsylvania. In addition to the hearing of reports and the transaction of other business the committee will discuss arrangements for the coming county convention.

POST ACTIVITIES

The following officers have been elected by the Women's Auxiliary of the Leonard H. Hawkins Post, 156, which was organized by Mrs. Balcolm, at City Island, last Friday night. Mrs. Sarah Hawkins (mother of the hero for whom

the post is named), president; Mrs. Georgina Hearle, senior vice-president; Mrs. Mabel Wagner, junior vice-president; Miss Jessie B. Wilson, secretary; Mrs. Caroline Dill, treasurer; Miss A. Hawkins and Mrs. Louisa Hohnagen, executive committee; Mrs. Elida F. Wilson, chaplain.

Sub-Chaser Post will give a dinner Saturday evening at Reisenweber's. All veterans are requested to communicate with the secretary—Phone, Whitehall 1842.

Plans for furnishing their recently acquired club house were discussed at a meeting of James S. Sisson Post, 62, last Monday evening in the Staten Island Museum.

Walter Hickman Post 33 honored the soldier for whom it was named at an impressive ceremony last Sunday in Crotona Park. Hickman's mother planted a tree in his memory and a dress was made by William F. Deegan, chairman of Bronx County Post 102, and presented to the post. Assistant District Attorney Felix A. Dixon, Commissioner of Corrections James A. Hamilton, Park Commissioner Joseph A. Hennessey and August Glatzmeier.

Sergeant Joyce Kilmer Post, one of the most active in Brooklyn, will meet tomorrow evening to make final preparations for the dance the post is to give Saturday night and to discuss the question of summer meetings. This post exceeded its quota in the Luna Park campaign.

Lexington Post held a meeting Tuesday evening in its new clubhouse, 171 East Eighty-sixth Street. It will celebrate its anniversary the evening of June 29 and all veterans are invited to attend.

At the last meeting of 308th Infantry Post, 308, the members tried unsuccessfully to adjourn for the summer. In response to a general demand, the post president, William Tighe, announced that the monthly meetings will be continued at the 77th Division Clubhouse, 27 West Twenty-fifth Street. Alfred Kantor and Sydney Lewis have been appointed a committee to investi-

gate the breakdown of the Federal Vocational Board with the idea of recommending to the 308th veterans a constructive plan of assisting the cause of their disabled comrades.

Everything is set for the invitation dance to be given at the Hotel Pennsylvania, Saturday evening, by the Barbara Fritchie Post in celebration of its first anniversary.

Dempsey-Kearns Indictment Dismissed by U. S. Court

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—An indictment charging William Harrison ("Jack") Dempsey, world's champion heavyweight pugilist, and Jack Kearns, his manager, with conspiracy to evade the selective draft act, was dismissed in the Federal Court here to-day.

Colonel Charles W. Thomas, Assistant United States Attorney, announced that he could not ask for a dismissal without authority of the United States Attorney General. The court said that since the evidence was the same as adduced in the case resulting in an acquittal yesterday, he would dismiss the charge.



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The boundary of the United States is shifted far to the west; the trappers and Indians have gone; the once modest Portage Path is now a broad motor highway. The automobile has replaced the canoe; in place of men have come pneumatic tires to fill the role of "carriers" in modern locomotion.

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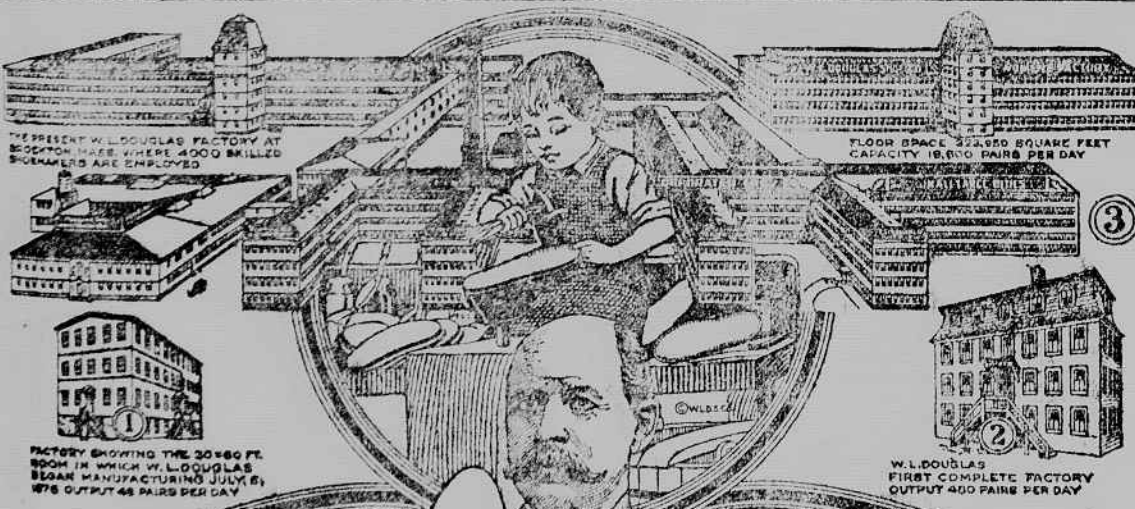
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